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## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

## In the Specification

0065, line 5, '24' has been deleted.

0066, lines 5, 7(both occurrences), 8, 10 and 12, '24' has been deleted;

Line 6, 'interior 28 and 30' has been deleted.

0067, lines 2, 5, 8 and 24, '40' has been deleted;

Lines 4, 5, 7, 11, 13, 15 and 17, '24' has been deleted.

0068, lines 3(2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence) and 8, '44' has been deleted.

0069, line 14(2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence), '44' has been deleted.

0070, line 14(2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence), '44' has been deleted.

0071, line 1, --to-- has been inserted after 'respect'.

0073, line 5, '24' has been deleted.

0074, lines 5, 6, 7(both occurrences). 8, 10 and 12, '24' has been deleted.

0075, lines 2 and 5, '40' has been deleted;

Lines 4, 5 and 7, '24' has been deleted;

0076, lines 3 and 6, '68' has been deleted;

lines 12 and 14, '24' has been deleted.

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0077, lines 2 and 3, '24' has been deleted;

Lines 2, 3, 6 and 8, '68' has been deleted;

Line 8, '40' has been deleted.

0078, lines 3(2nd occurrence) and 8, '44' has been deleted.

0079, line 14(2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence), '44' has been deleted.

0080. line 14(2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence), '44' has been deleted.

In the Claims

Claims 2-8 and 10-16, line 1, 'A' has been replaced with 'The'.

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art discloses a surface cleaning device having a housing with a divider that divides the housing into two housing interiors HOWEVER fails to disclose or fairly suggest a surface cleaning device adapted for use with a vacuum cleaner nozzle inlet having a housing with a divider therein dividing the housing into a first housing interior with a first opening having a first selected surface profile and a second housing interior with a second opening having a second selected surface profile and a divider aperture collar adjacent the divider sized and configured to removably engage the vacuum cleaner nozzle inlet to create communication selectively between either the first housing interior and the inlet or the second housing interior and the inlet.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Theresa T. Snider whose telephone number is (571) 272-1277.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (5:30am-2:00pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gladys Corcoran can be reached on (571) 272-1214. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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